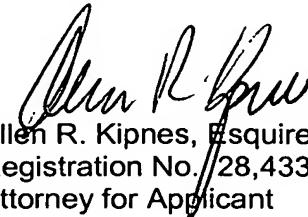


An error was made in the computation set forth in the first full paragraph of page 9 of the Amendment. This paragraph concerned an analysis of Example 3 and the correct statement that Musser teaches only a 26% reduction in nicotine levels utilizing H. Zea with normal spinnerets. The paragraph goes on to further state that one would not expect to get a significant reduction in nicotine levels using a second or third treatment. An error appeared in a discussion of the second treatment. As indicated, the second treatment would be expected to result in only a further 26% reduction. The actual reduction of the second treatment would thereby be 0.26×0.74 which equals 19.24%. In other words, the remaining nicotine after the first treatment is 74% (100% - 26%) and a further reduction of 26% of the remaining nicotine (74%) results in a further reduction of nicotine of 19.25%. Nonetheless, Applicant maintains that it would be surprising to find that multiple treatments could get the nicotine level in tobacco plants down to a level in which non-addictive tobacco products could be made.

It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this matter. However, if any fee is due, it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0510.

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